

Iran of a nuclear capability? Number two, do we send a message to our allies in the P5+1, that include Russia and China, not exactly our best of friends, but our reluctant allies who we need to guarantee that the tough sanctions that we impose are enforceable?

If we pass sanctions that don't have the cooperation of our allies, they are meaningless. So the question that we have is: Any action that we take, will it increase or diminish our strength in guaranteeing no nuclear weapons in Iran?

DMF INCLUDED IN BUDGET AGREEMENT

(Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for the last 30 years, Social Security has been required to make deceased Americans' Social Security numbers and other personal information public through the so-called "Death Master File." Unfortunately, identity thieves have been using this file to obtain fraudulent tax refunds based on the identity of deceased Americans, particularly children like 4-year-old Alexis Agin here. No grieving family should have to go through this.

To put a stop to this heinous crime, earlier this year, I introduced the Alexis Agin Identity Theft Protection Act with my Democrat colleague XAVIER BECERRA. And thanks to the budget deal, which includes a provision to restrict access to the Death Master File, American families will be better protected from tax fraud.

I salute the Agins for their tireless advocacy, and God bless America.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE EXTENSION

(Mr. PAYNE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of over 90,000 unemployed New Jerseyans at the risk of losing their unemployment benefits on December 28 if Congress fails to act before the end of the year.

Despite what my colleagues on the other side think, unemployment insurance helps during hard times, and people forget that we are still recovering from the worst recession since the Great Depression.

Patrick, a carpenter from Rahway, New Jersey, struggles to find employment through no fault of his own. His family will not be able to afford their mortgage if this critical lifeline is cut.

Malene from Maplewood, New Jersey, is an educated professional, but has been unable to find work since February. In her letter, she wrote:

When do my elected officials start caring for me and the millions of other people

struggling to survive—not living, but scraping by?

Vote to extend the unemployment benefits which equate to hope for many families in the new year. I urge the House leadership to address this looming expiration of the unemployment benefits for millions of Americans before leaving this year.

YEAR IN REVIEW

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, during last night's town hall by telephone with constituents, I conducted a poll and asked what should be done first to tackle our national debt. Fifty-one percent of participants want Congress to repeal ObamaCare. ObamaCare will add to our national debt as higher premiums and taxes are placing burdens on families and destroying jobs.

Rachel from West Columbia says:

ObamaCare is still very costly for me and my family. At times we have difficulty purchasing food for our family because of my insurance costs.

Robert from Aiken spent time on the Web site and found he "would be paying about two-thirds more for a much worse insurance plan."

2013 should be remembered as the year further revealing the failure and threat of Big Government, with the ObamaCare train wreck, continuing of the Benghazi cover-up, IRS targeting, NSA spying, and DOJ-FBI eavesdropping on media. Congress should act, passing limited government reforms that encourage job creation and expand freedom.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

FISHER HOUSE HERO MILES PROGRAM

(Mr. BARROW of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BARROW of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, this time of year, as we gather with family and friends, it is important for us to remember the men and women in the military who sacrifice so much for our country. Those who have been injured in battle oftentimes find themselves a long way from home during the holidays.

This year, like every year, I am donating the over 68,000 frequent flyer miles that I received from congressional travel to the Fisher House Hero Miles program, which provides free airline tickets so that American soldiers and their families can be together.

The Fisher House has provided more than 40,000 flights worth some \$63 million to wounded troops and their families. We have got no business keeping these frequent flyer miles for personal

use anyhow, and I don't know of anyone who could make better use of them.

I encourage all Members of Congress to follow my example and give their frequent flyer miles to some charity like the Fisher House. It is not just a good thing to do; it is the right thing to do.

MAGNESS LIBRARY

(Mr. DESJARLAIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DESJARLAIS. Mr. Speaker, I stand before you today to commend Magness Library on its 100 years of service to the people of McMinnville in the Fourth District of Tennessee.

Magness Library began as a service project in July 1913 by Mrs. Mary Cunningham and the McMinnville Women's Civic League, with benefactors Colonel Gentry Moffitt and W.H. Magness, to provide a rest stop for families coming into town to sell and trade. In 1917, the library moved to its current location on the corner of Chancery and Main Street, and in 1946, Magness Library joined the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

Thanks to generous donations from thousands of patrons, the Magness Library flourished into one of the longest running libraries in our State over the years. The library provides invaluable services to McMinnville, including a strong summer reading program for children and genealogy research for adults.

Congratulations to the Magness Library on their centennial, and I look forward to seeing their successful future endeavors.

IRAN INTERIM NUCLEAR AGREEMENT

(Mr. PRICE of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, if the interim nuclear deal negotiated last month leads to a final agreement, Iran can be prevented from developing a nuclear weapon. This would neutralize one of the greatest threats facing the United States, Israel, and the international community and could set the stage for a new era of relations between Iran and the West.

The unprecedented sanctions already in place have brought the Iranian economy to its knees and the government to the negotiating table. We are entering these talks from a position of strength; we have a strong hand to play.

But if Congress rushes through another round of sanctions or takes other action perceived as undermining the negotiations, we will be giving up our hand before we have a chance to play it. Iran would then have an excuse to walk away from the table, and the